



SEPTEMBER 2015

PROPHETSTOWN STATE PARK



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Stop in and see us at the Visitor Center. We have educational animals for you to meet, nature exhibits you can touch, and informational displays to read. The Visitor Center is also a good place to easily access the Native American Village. Just park in the parking lot, safely walk across the road to the prairie, and hike back to the village on the mowed path.

VISITOR CENTER OPEN DAILY 8:30am – 4:00pm

We hope you'll join us for a program too. Programs are free of charge (except as noted) and open to the public after paying the park admission fee of \$6/carload (in-state) or \$8/carload (out-of-state.) Campground programs are also open to the public – just park at the campground gate and walk in. Children under 14 should be accompanied by an adult. **All programs begin promptly at scheduled times.**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5th

10:00am-5:00pm – Country Fair! – Explore the Farm for games and attractions all day – just \$3 per vehicle (in addition to State park gate fee.) And don't forget to stop by the concession stand anytime from 10:30am to 4:00pm.



- 10:00- Stove Demonstration (in the Farmhouse)
- 11:00-Music by Joe Peters and Linda Hicks (in the Barn)
- 11:30- Butter Churning (on the Porch)
- 12:00pm – Pie Eating Contest Registration
- 12:30- Pie Eating Contest, Sponsored by Fresh Thyme Market (in the Circle Drive)
- 1:00- Music by Briagha McTavish (in the Barn)
- 2:00- Draft Horses with Larry Smith
- 3:00- Music by Joe Peters and Linda Hicks (in the Barn)
- 4:00- Chicken Round up and Collecting Eggs (by the Coops)

1:00pm –4:00pm- Prophetstown Village - Join us at the Native American village for tours of the council house, medicine lodge, chief's cabin, granary, and more. **Park at the Visitor Center and walk across the road (for shorter walking distance) or park at the Farm and walk the trails back to the village.**

8:00pm – Campfire Fun – Join us for fun times around the campfire. We'll share stories, songs, and more (sort of like "open mic night" – and then roast a marshmallow for s'mores! **Meet at the Campground Shower Building.**



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6th

10:00am- Take a Turtle for a Walk - Meet our educational box turtles up close and personal as we let them stretch their legs around the campground. Discover how they came to live with us the park and learn about this cool creature. **Meet at Campground Shower Building**



2:00pm – Tree ID & Leaf Collection Hike- Need help on your leaf collection project. Learn how to easily identify some of Indiana's trees and collect leaves at the same time. Bring a notebook, old phonebook, or baggies to organize and label your leaves. **Meet at the Visitor Center.**

7:30pm – Bubbles, Bubbles, Everywhere – Did you know that some critters use bubbles to survive? Find out how during this fun program. **Meet at the Campground Shower Building.**

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7th Labor Day!

10:00am – Feeding Frenzy – After you've had your breakfast, come watch our nature center critters gobble down their favorite foods. **Visitor Center**

1:00pm –3:00pm- Tree Nuts at Prophetstown Village - Join us at the Native American village where we've started our harvest of hazelnuts and more – you'll be able to crack a few and snack too. Also tour the council house, medicine lodge, chief's cabin, granary, and more. **Park at the Visitor Center and walk across the road (for shorter walking distance).**

September 12-13 Archaeology Weekend

September is Archaeology month - join us this weekend for hikes, activities, displays, and more all about the archaeology of Prophetstown State Park and how it helps us tell the story of this land and the people who called this place home.



Artifact Amnesty



Do you have historic or pre-historic artifacts that came from the land that is now Prophetstown State Park or just general artifacts or collections that you don't want anymore? Would you considering donating them to the park for use in a cultural display or educational activity for visitors to enjoy and learn about? If the answer is yes, then start cleaning out your closets and dusting off those old boxes full of artifacts and bring them to Prophetstown State Park.

Stop by the Visitor Center from 9am to 4pm both days, where we'll be observing “**Artifact Amnesty**”. Donate your artifacts and we'll issue you an official donation receipt for tax purposes.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12th

10:00am – Prophetstown History Hike – Join us at the *Far East End Parking Lot* where we'll begin our hike to the special historical places in the park. We'll use artifacts to help tell these stories about the rich, cultural history of this land.

1:00pm –4:00pm- Prophetstown Village - Join interpretive naturalists at the Native American village for natural and cultural displays that highlight archaeological items found at Prophetstown. Hands-on activities for all ages. **Park at the Visitor Center and walk across the road (for shorter walking distance) or park at the Farm and walk the trails back to the village.**

2:00pm – Pottery Workshop – Join us for this free program on historic pottery. Build your own “air-dry” clay pot using coil building techniques. **Meet at the Village**

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13th

10:00am-12:00pm - 1920's Homesteading Demonstration- Enjoy cooking on the wood stove and taste your work! Experience the daily house work done in a traditional 1920's farm home. This event includes egg collecting, cooking/baking, washing clothes and using the traditional wood stove irons!

The Farm.



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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16th

1:00-3:00pm – Wednesdays in the Wild: “Foods from Field and Stream” – Join us at the Native American village where we discover the important foods that come from the area waters and woods and prairies. Program fee \$2/person. **Park at the Visitor Center and walk across the road.**



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19th

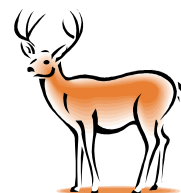
6:00-8:00pm Farm to Table Dinner- Enjoy a 5 course meal served in the Farmhouse! Socialize and make new friends. Reservations are required and space is limited. \$50 per person. Call 765-567-4700 or email events@prophetstown.org to make your reservation.

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12:00-4:00pm – Importance of the White Tail Deer at the Village – Join living history presenters from Woodland Indian Educational Programs at the Native American village at Prophetstown. Learn the importance of deer to the historic Native Peoples of the region while sampling some traditional foods. Step inside their wigwam for a look at this unique home space. **Park at the Visitor Center and walk across the road (for shorter walking distance) or park at the Farm and walk the trails back to the village.**



7:30pm -Skins and Skulls – If you just caught a glimpse of a critter, would you know what it was? If you were hiking on a trail and came across some bones, could you identify it? Discover ways to identify some of the park's wildlife by examining furs and skulls. **Meet at the Campground Shower Building.**

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th

12:00-4:00pm – Importance of the White Tail Deer at the Village – Join living history presenters from Woodland Indian Educational Programs at the Native American village at Prophetstown. Learn the importance of deer to the historic Native Peoples of the region while sampling some traditional foods. Step inside their wigwam for a look at this unique home space. **Park at the Visitor Center and walk across the road (for shorter walking distance) or park at the Farm and walk the trails back to the village**



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25th

7:00pm - Movie in the Farm House! Enjoy the first movie to ever have sound, The Jazz Singer! Free popcorn and water included, but feel free to bring your own snacks! The movie starts at 7:00pm, so get there early and get a seat.

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26th

10:00am-12:00pm Fall Potpourri Class- Use dried flowers and items from the prairie to create a fall harvest potpourri. Learn how to make a dried apple blend and take your work home! \$10 per person plus gate admission. Pre-registration is required. Call 765-567-4700 or email events@prophetstown.org. **Meet at the Farm.**

National Public Lands Day



10:00am to 12:00pm - Prairie Projects Day - In celebration of National Public Lands day, Prophetstown State Park invites volunteers to help with various projects including seed harvesting, seed sorting, invasive removal (hand pulling and cutting), and more. Tools, gloves, and refreshments provided. Long sleeves, pants, and hats recommended. **Meet at Visitor Center.**

1:00pm -3:00pm- Pokeberry at the Village - Join us at the Native American village where we'll have pokeberry dye ready for you to use – bring your white t-shirt or pillowcase or skein of natural yarn – and we'll have some for you to buy too (\$1-\$3). You can also tour the council house, medicine lodge, chief's cabin, granary, and more. **Park at the Visitor Center and walk across the road.**



3:00pm – 7:00pm – Audubon at the Overlook - Join members of the Sycamore Audubon Society at the overlook at Prophetstown State Park to see what birds and other wildlife are in the area. Spend a few minutes or a few hours as your time permits. Learn a bit about the tools of birdwatching and techniques to improve your skills. The overlook is just a short walk from the parking lot at the Far East End of the park.



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27th

11:00am – Bubbles, Bubbles, Everywhere – Did you know that some critters use bubbles to survive? Find out how during this fun program. **Prairie View Picnic Area.**

2:00pm - Tree ID & Leaf Collection Hike- Need help on your leaf collection project. Learn how to easily identify some of Indiana's trees and collect leaves at the same time. Bring a notebook, old phonebook, or baggies to organize and label your leaves. **Meet at the Visitor Center.**



Mark Your Calendars for Fall Events!

October 3rd to November 1st

Trail of scarecrows

October 4th

Apple Sauce Class at The Farm
\$15/person. Registration required.

October 10th

Herbal and Fruit Vinegars at The Farm
\$10/person. Registration required.

October 17th

Corn Husking Competition
at The Farm

October 23-25th

Fall Funfest Celebration

October 30th

Barn Dance

November 7th

Husky Huddle 5K

Fall Funfest Weekend October 24-25

- Harvest Celebration at Native American Village
- Fall Farm Fun
- Trick or Treating
- Campsite and Pumpkin Decorating Contests
- Special Programs
- Hayrides

Trail of Scarecrows

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